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**Funds for Rural Electrification
Programme in Bihar**

5147. SHRI KASHIFAM RANA:
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Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds released to Bihar and Gujarat under Rural Electrification Corporation Programme is less than the amount allocated;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the amount to be allocated during 1992-93 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). Even though the Planning commission had originally approved an outlay of Rs. 27.45 crores and Rs. 34.96 crores for the current year (1991-92) for rural electrification work through Rural Electrification corporation (BEC) in Bihar and Gujarat respectively the outlay had to be reduced due to resource crunch. The revised allocation and disbursement of funds for rural electrification programme in Bihar and Gujarat up to the end of February 1992 is as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

Sr. No.	Name of the State	Allocation	Disbursement
1.	Bihar	14.85	4.23
2.	Gujarat	22.56	17.00

The Bihar state Electricity Board is heavily defaulting in the repayment of REC's dues and release of funds to the States had, therefore, to be restricted. In the case of Gujarat, the balance allocation is likely to be disbursed by the end of march, 1992

(c) The Planning Commission has allocated Rs. 14.05 crores and Rs. 26.00 crores to Bihar and Gujarat respectively for the next financial year.

**Villages Electrified in Rampur
Distt., U.P.**

5149. SHRI RAJENDER KUMAR SHARMA: Will the Minister of POWER

AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages of Rampur district, Uttar Pradesh, electrified under the rural electrification scheme; and

(b) the number and names of villages electrified during 1991 and proposed to be electrified during 1992 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board (UPSEB) has reported electrification of 807 villages in Rampur